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### **Request for Proposal**



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Due Date:

Solicitation Number:

Date Sent: September 26, 2002

RM3901

10/22/02 at 3:00 P.M.

#### **Statewide Contract**

Goods and services to be purchased: STATEWIDE CONTRACT FOR AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETING SERVICES

#### Please complete

Company Name	Federal Tax Identification Number			
Ordering Address		City	State	Zip Code
Remittance Address (if different from ordering address)		City	State	Zip Code
Туре		Company Contact Person		
☐ Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Proprietorship ☐ Government				
Telephone Number (include area code)	Fax Number (include area code)	Email Address		
Discount Terms(for bid purposes, bid discounts less than 30 days will not be considered)		Days Required for Delivery After Receipt of Order (see attached for any required minimums)		
Brand/Trade Name		Price Guarantee Period (see attached specifications for any required minimums)		
Minimum Order		Company's Internet Web Address		
The following documents are included in this solicitation: Solicitation forms, instructions and general provisions, and specifications. Please review all documents carefully before completing.  The undersigned certifies that the goods or services offered are produced, mined, grown, manufactured, or performed				
in Utah. Yes No If no, enter where produced, etc				
Offeror's Authorized Representative's Signature		Print or type name and title		Date
State of Utah Division of Purchasing Approval			Date	Contract Number
Douglas G. Richins, Director				

STATE OF UTAH DIVISION OF PURCHASING

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**Vendor Name:** 

STATEWIDE CONTRACT FOR AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETING SERVICES PER THE ATTACHED RFP.

QUESTIONS ON SPECIFICATIONS AND PURCHASING PROCESS CALL ROSELLE MILLER AT (801) 538-3232.

#### **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL - INSTRUCTIONS AND GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- 1. **PROPOSAL PREPARATION:** (a) All prices and notations must be in ink or typewritten. (b) Price each item separately. Unit price shall be shown and a total price shall be entered for each item bid. (c) Unit price will govern, if there is an error in the extension. (d) Delivery of services as proposed is critical and must be adhered to. (e) Incomplete proposals may be rejected. (f) This proposal may not be withdrawn for a period of 60 days from the due date. (g) Where applicable, all proposals must include complete manufacturer's descriptive literature. (h) By signing the proposal the offeror certifies that all of the information provided is accurate, that they are willing and able to furnish the item(s) specified, and that prices offered are correct.
- 2. SUBMITTING THE PROPOSAL: (a) The proposal must be signed in ink, sealed, and if mailed, mailed in a properly-addressed envelope to the DIVISION OF PURCHASING, 3150 State Office Building, Capitol Hill, Salt Lake City, UT 84114-1061. The "Solicitation Number" and "Due Date" must appear on the outside of the envelope. (b) Proposals, modifications, or corrections received after the closing time on the "Due Date" will be considered late and handled in accordance with the Utah Procurement Rules, section 3-209. (c) Your proposal will be considered only if it is submitted on the forms provided by the state. Facsimile transmission of proposals to DIVISION will not be considered. (d) All prices quoted must be both F.O.B. Origin per paragraph 1.(c) and F.O.B. Destination. Additional charges including but not limited to delivery, drayage, express, parcel post, packing, cartage, insurance, license fees, permits, costs of bonds, or for any other purpose must be included in the proposal for consideration and approval by the Division of Purchasing & General Services (DIVISION). Upon award of the contract, the shipping terms will be F.O.B. Destination, Freight Prepaid with freight charges to be added to the invoice unless otherwise specified by the DIVISION. No charge for delivery, drayage, express, parcel post, packing, cartage, insurance, license fees, permits, costs of bonds, or for any other purpose will be paid by the state unless specifically included in the proposal and accepted by DIVISION. (e) By signing the proposal the offeror certifies that all of the information provided is accurate and that he/she offers to furnish materials/services for purchase in strict accordance with he requirements of this proposal including all terms and conditions.
- 3. **BONDS:** The state has the right to require a bid or proposal bond, payment bond and/or a faithful performance bond from the offeror in an amount not to exceed the amount of the contract.
- 4. **PROPRIETARY INFORMATION:** Suppliers are required to mark any specific information contained in their bid which is not to be disclosed to the public or used for purposes other than the evaluation of the bid. Each request for non-disclosure must be accompanied by a specific justification explaining why the information is to be protected. Pricing and service elements of any proposal will not be considered proprietary. All material becomes the property of the state and may be returned only at the state's option. Proposals submitted may be reviewed and evaluated by any persons at the discretion of the state.
- 5. **BEST AND FINAL OFFERS:** Discussions may be conducted with offerors who submit proposals determined to be reasonably susceptible of being selected for award for the purpose of assuring full understanding of, and responsiveness to, solicitation requirements. Prior to award, these offerors may be asked to submit best and final offers. In conducting discussions, there shall be no disclosure of any information derived from proposals submitted by a competing offeror.
- 6. **SAMPLES:** Samples, brochures, etc., when required, must be furnished free of expense to the state and if not destroyed by tests may, upon request made at the time the sample is furnished, be returned at the offeror's expense.
- 7. **DIVISION APPROVAL:** Contracts written with the State of Utah, as a result of this proposal, will not be legally binding without the written approval of the Director of the DIVISION.
- 8. **AWARD OF CONTRACT:** (a) The contract will be awarded with reasonable promptness, by written notice, to the lowest responsible offeror whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the state, taking into consideration price and evaluation factors set forth in the RFP. No other factors or criteria will be used in the evaluation. The contract file shall contain the basis on which the award is made. Refer to <u>Utah Code Annotated</u> 65-56-21. (b) The DIVISION can reject any and all proposals. And it can waive any informality, or

- technicality in any proposal received, if the DIVISION believes it would serve the best interests of the state. (c) Before, or after, the award of a contract the DIVISION has the right to inspect the offeror's premises and all business records to determine the offeror's ability to meet contract requirements. (d) The DIVISION will open proposals publicly, identifying only the names of the offerors. Proposals and modifications shall be time stamped upon receipt and held in a secure place until the due date. After the due date, a **register** of proposals shall be established. The **register** shall be open to public inspection, but the proposals will be seen only by authorized DIVISION staff and those selected by DIVISION to evaluate the proposals. The proposal(s) of the successful offeror(s) shall be open for public inspection for 90 days after the award of the contract(s). (e) Utah has a reciprocal preference law which will be applied against bidders bidding products or services produced in states which discriminate against Utah products. For details see Section 63-56 20.5 -20.6, Utah Code Annotated.
- 9. **ANTI-DISCRIMINATION ACT:** The offeror agrees to abide by the provisions of the Utah Anti-discrimination Act, Title 34 Chapter 35, U.C.A. 1953, as amended, and Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC 2000e), which prohibit discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment, or any applicant or recipient of services, on the basis of race, religion, color, or national origin; and further agrees to abide by Executive Order No. 11246, as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disabilities. Also offeror agrees to abide by Utah's Executive Order, dated March 17, 1993, which prohibits sexual harassment in the workplace. Vendor must include this provision in every subcontract or purchase order relating to purchase by the State of Utah to insure that the subcontractors and vendors are bound by this provision.
- 10. WARRANTY: The contractor agrees to warrant and assume responsibility for all products (including hardware, firmware, and/or software products) that it licenses, contracts, or sells to the State of Utah under this contract for a period of one year, unless otherwise specified and mutually agreed upon elsewhere in this contract. The contractor (seller) acknowledges that all warranties granted to the buyer by the Uniform Commercial Code of the State of Utah applies to this contract. Product liability disclaimers and/or warranty disclaimers from the seller are not applicable to this contract unless otherwise specified and mutually agreed upon elsewhere in this contract. In general, the contractor warrants that: (1) the product will do what the salesperson said it would do, (2) the product will live up to all specific claims that the manufacturer makes in their advertisements, (3) the product will be suitable for the ordinary purposes for which such product is used, (4) the product will be suitable for any special purposes that the State has relied on the contractor's skill or judgement to consider when it advised the State about the product, (5) the product has been properly designed and manufactured, and (6) the product is free of significant defects or unusual problems about which the State has not been warned. Remedies available to the State include the following: The contractor will repair or replace (at no charge to the State) the product whose nonconformance is discovered and made known to the contractor in writing. If the repaired and/or replaced product proves to be inadequate, or fails of its essential purpose, the contractor will refund the full amount of any payments that have been made. Nothing in this warranty will be construed to limit any rights or remedies the State of Utah may otherwise have under this contract.
- 11. **DEBARMENT:** The CONTRACTOR certifies that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction (contract) by any governmental department or agency. If the CONTRACTOR cannot certify this statement, attach a written explanation for review by the STATE.
- 12. **GOVERNING LAWS AND REGULATIONS:** All State purchases are subject to the Utah Procurement Code, Title 63, Chapter 56 <u>Utah Code Annotated 1953</u>, as amended, and the Procurement Rules as adopted by the Utah State Procurement Policy Board (<u>Utah Administrative Code</u> Section R33). These are available on the Internet at <u>www.purchasing.state.ut.us</u>.

(Revision 2/14/2000 - RFP.Instructions)

# State of Utah REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETING SERVICES Solicitation #RM3901

#### **INTRODUCTION**

This document is a Request for Proposal (RFP) to establish a statewide contract with qualified individual(s) or firm(s) to provide intermediate or equivalent sign language interpreting services.

Any contract(s) resulting from this process shall be for the use of all State Agencies, including Political Subdivisions (cities/counties, school districts, universities, etc.). The State of Utah reserves the right to award multiple contracts including regional contracts based on perceived need to provide adequate coverage statewide. The attached Standard Terms and Conditions will become a part of any contract awarded as a result of this RFP.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDANCE**

The information provided herein is intended to assist offerors in the preparation of proposals necessary to properly respond to this RFP. The RFP is designed to provide interested offerors with sufficient basic information to submit proposals meeting minimum requirements, but is not intended to limit a proposal's content or exclude any relevant or essential data. Offerors are at liberty and are encouraged to expand upon the specifications to evidence service capability under any agreement.

#### ISSUING OFFICE AND RFP REFERENCE NUMBER

The State of Utah Division of Purchasing is the issuing office for this document and all subsequent addenda relating to it. The reference number for the transaction is RM3901. This number must be referred to on all proposals, correspondence and documentation relating to the RFP.

#### **RESPONSE DATE**

Four copies of your proposal must be received at the State of Utah Division of Purchasing, 3150 State Office Building, Salt Lake City, UT 84114 prior to the closing date and time specified. The solicitation number and due date must be clearly printed on the outside of your proposal package. Any proposal received after the deadline will be late and ineligible for consideration.

#### **TERM OF CONTRACT**

The contract will be for a two (2) year period with the option to renew for an additional three (3) years on a year-to-year basis.

#### **CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS**

The State of Utah may award a contract based on the initial proposals received without discussion of such proposals. Accordingly, each initial proposal should be submitted with the most favorable price and service standpoint. The State reserves the right to reject any or all proposals received.

#### **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

The intent of this RFP is to provide professional interpreter services on an as needed basis. The following conditions must be met at a minimum.

- 1. Provide intermediate or equivalent sign language interpreting by an appropriately certified interpreter according to the Utah State Board of Education Interpreter for the Deaf Certification Policy and Procedure Manual.
- 2. Have an understanding of basic medical, psychological, legal and educational terminology, if requested.
- 3. Adhere to the Interpreters' Code of Ethics and adhere to strict confidentiality standards. Ethical standards would include things such as maintaining neutrality of position, interpreting all conversations and treating the client with respect in all interactions. Confidentiality would include such things as a signed statement covering non-disclosure of client information or interaction with anyone outside of the provider setting, including possible penalties for failure to adhere to these standards.

#### PROPOSAL CONTENT

Statement that you are (if an individual) or that you can provide (if a company) intermediate or equivalent interpreting services as determined by the Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and its advisory board. This is a minimum qualification and failure to provide this information will result in your RFP being rejected.

Describe your past experience either as an individual in providing service or as a company in providing competent individuals to provide service. Include references that can attest to your experience.

Describe the process/method utilized to test competency in basic medical, psychological, legal and educational terminology. Include copies of the documents you utilize to determine the interpreter's level of competency in these areas.

Preference will be given to those proposals that indicate an ability to provide specialized services such as meeting a request for an interpreter of a specific gender (may be required in a medical setting due to cultural sensitivity), continuity of translation service (same interpreter used for majority of interpretive services for same client) or other special situations. Describe how you will offer such services. Describe the procedure used to obtain the appropriate interpreter, such as dialing a 1-800 number using a TDD device, etc. Describe ability to provide services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and to provide gender and culturally appropriate interpretive services.

Describe training that ensures effective communication is being provided. Describe any training that is provided on cultural awareness, ethics and confidentiality.

How many interpreters do you employ (if applicable)? Provide a roster of current employees.

#### PROPOSAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

Proposals will be evaluated by a committee against the following criteria with assigned weights indicated. Each area of the evaluation criteria must be addressed in detail in the proposal.

30% Cost including:

Price per Hour

Travel Expense – reimbursed at state rate only.

Cancellation Fee – if applicable

20% Experience

10% Capability to meet special circumstances.

40% Interpreting Skills Including Voicing and Transliteration (presentation).

#### **PRESENTATION**

An interpreting presentation by an offeror to supplement a proposal will be required. These presentations will be scheduled by the evaluation committee subsequent to the receipt of proposals and prior to the award.

# Standard Contract Terms and Conditions State of Utah, Statewide Contracts

(Request for Proposals)

- 1. AUTHORITY: Provisions of this contract are pursuant to the authority set forth in 63-56, Utah Code Annotated, 1953, as amended, Utah State Procurement Rules (Utah Administrative Code Section R33), and related statutes which permit the STATE to purchase certain specified services, and other approved purchases for the STATE.
- 2. CONTRACT JURISDICTION, CHOICE OF LAW, AND VENUE: The provisions of this contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of Utah. The parties will submit to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State of Utah for any dispute arising out of this Contract or the breach thereof. Venue shall be in Salt Lake City, in the Third Judicial District Court for Salt Lake Co.
- 3. LAWS AND REGULATIONS: Any and all supplies, services and equipment proposed and furnished will comply fully with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations.
- **4. RECORDS ADMINISTRATION:** The Contractor will maintain, or supervise the maintenance of all records necessary to properly account for the payments made to the Contractor for costs authorized by this contract. These records will be retained by the Contractor for at least four years after the contract terminates, or until all audits initiated within the four years have been completed, whichever is later.
- **5. AUDIT OF RECORDS:** The Contractor agrees to allow the State and Federal auditors, and State agency staff, access to all the records to this contract, for audit and inspection, and monitoring of services. Such access will be during normal business hours, or by appointment.
- **6. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** Contractor certifies that it has not offered or given any gift or compensation prohibited by the laws of the State of Utah to any officer or employee of the STATE or participating political subdivisions to secure favorable treatment with respect to being awarded this contract.
- 7. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR: Contractor will be an independent Contractor, and as such will have no authorization, express or implied to bind the STATE to any agreements, settlements, liability or understanding whatsoever, and agrees not to perform any acts as agent for the STATE, except as expressly set forth herein. Compensation stated herein will be the total amount payable to the Contractor by the STATE. The Contractor will be responsible for the payment of all income tax and social security tax due as a result of payments received from the STATE for these contract services. Persons employed by the STATE and acting under the direction of the STATE will not be deemed to be employees or agents of the Contractor.
- **8. HOLD HARMLESS:** The Contractor will release, protect, indemnify and hold the STATE and the respective political subdivisions and their officers, agencies, employees, harmless from and against any damage, cost or liability, including reasonable attorney's fees for any or all injuries to persons, property or claims for money damages arising from acts or omissions of the Contractor, his employees or subcontractors or volunteers.
- 9. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY CLAUSE: The Contractor agrees to abide by the provisions of Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42USC 2000e) which prohibits discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment or any applicant or recipient of services, on the basis of race, religion, color, or national origin; and further agrees to abide by Executive Order No. 11246, as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; 45 CFR 90 which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, or the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disabilities. Also, the Contractor agrees to abide by Utah's Executive Order, dated March 17, 1993, which prohibits sexual harassment in the work place.
- **10. SEVERABILITY:** If any provision of this contract is declared by a court to be illegal or in conflict with any law, the validity of the remaining terms and provisions will not be affected; and the rights and obligations of the parties will be construed and enforced as if the contract did not contain the particular provision held to be invalid.
- **11. AMENDMENTS:** The terms of this contract will not be waived, altered, modified, supplemented or amended in any manner whatsoever without prior written approval of the State Director of Purchasing.
- **12. DEBARMENT:** The Contractor certifies that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction (contract), by any governmental department or agency. If the Contractor cannot certify this statement, attach a written explanation for review by the STATE.
- **13. CANCELLATION:** Unless otherwise stated in the special terms and conditions, any contract entered into as a result of this proposal may be canceled without cause by the STATE upon 60 days notice, in writing, prior to the effective date of the cancellation. Cancellation may be in whole or in part. Cancellation of the contract due to Contractor default may be immediate.
- **14. TAXES:** Proposal prices will be exclusive of state sales, use and federal excise taxes. The State of Utahs sales and use tax exemption number is E33399. The tangible personal property or services being purchased are being paid from STATE funds and used in the exercise of that entitys essential functions. If the items being purchased are construction materials, they will be converted into real property by employees of this government entity, unless otherwise stated in the contract, or contract orders. The State of

Utah=s Federal excise exemption number is 87-780019K.

- 15. WARRANTY: The Contractor agrees to warrant and assume responsibility for all products (including hardware, firmware, and/or software products) that it licenses, contracts, or sells to the State of Utah under this contract for a period of one year, unless otherwise specified and mutually agreed upon elsewhere in this contract. The Contractor (seller) acknowledges that all warranties granted to the buyer by the Uniform Commercial Code of the State of Utah apply to this contract. Product liability disclaimers and/or warranty disclaimers from the seller are not applicable to this contract unless otherwise specified and mutually agreed upon elsewhere in this contract. In general, the Contractor warrants that: (1) the product will do what the salesperson said it would do, (2) the product will live up to all specific claims that the manufacturer makes in their advertisements, (3) the product will be suitable for the ordinary purposes for which such product is used, (4) the product will be suitable for any special purposes that the STATE has relied on the Contractor's skill or judgement to consider when it advised the STATE about the product, (5) the product has been properly designed and manufactured, and (6) the product is free of significant defects or unusual problems about which the STATE has not been warned. Remedies available to the STATE include the following: The Contractor will repair or replace (at no charge to the STATE) the product whose nonconformance is discovered and made known to the Contractor in writing. If the repaired and/or replaced product proves to be inadequate, or fails of its essential purpose, the Contractor will refund the full amount of any payments that have been made. Nothing in this warranty will be construed to limit any rights or remedies the State of Utah may otherwise have under this contract.
- **16. PARTICIPANTS:** This is a contract to provide the State of Utah government departments, institutions, agencies and political subdivisions (i.e., colleges, school districts, counties, cities, etc.) with the goods and/or services described in the proposal.
- 17. POLITICAL SUBDIVISION PARTICIPATION: Participation under this contract by political subdivisions (i.e., colleges, school districts, counties, cities, etc.) will be voluntarily determined by the political subdivision. The Contractor agrees to supply the political subdivisions based upon the same terms, conditions and prices.
- **18. QUANTITY ESTIMATES:** The STATE does not guarantee to purchase any amount under the contract to be awarded. Estimated quantities are for proposing purposes only and are not to be construed as a guarantee to purchase any amount.
- **19. DELIVERY:** The prices proposed will be the delivered price to any state agency or political subdivision. All deliveries will be F.O.B. destination with all transportation and handling charges paid by the Contractor. Responsibility and liability for loss or damage will remain with Contractor until final inspection and acceptance when responsibility will pass to the Buyer except as to latent defects, fraud and Contractor's warranty obligations. The minimum shipment amount will be found in the special terms and conditions. Any order for less than the specified amount is to be shipped with the freight prepaid and added as a separate item on the invoice. Any portion of an order to be shipped without transportation charges that is back ordered will be shipped without charge.
- **20. REPORTS:** The Contractor will submit quarterly reports to the State Purchasing Agent showing the quantities and dollar volume of purchases by each agency and political subdivision.
- 21. PROMPT PAYMENT DISCOUNT: Offeror may quote a prompt payment discount based upon early payment; however, discounts offered for less than 30 days will not be considered in making the award. The prompt payment discount will apply to payments made with purchasing cards and checks. The date from which discount time is calculated will be the date a correct invoice is received or receipt of shipment, whichever is later; except that if testing is performed, the date will be the date of acceptance of the merchandise.
- 22. FIRM PRICES: Unless otherwise stated in the special terms and conditions, for the purpose of award, offers made in accordance with this solicitation must be good and firm for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of proposal opening.
- 23. PRICE GUARANTEE, ADJUSTMENTS: The contract pricing resulting from this proposal will be guaranteed for the period specified. Following the guarantee period, any request for price adjustment must be for an equal guarantee period, and must be made at least 30 days prior to the effective date. Requests for price adjustment must include sufficient documentation supporting the request. Any adjustment or amendment to the contract will not be effective unless approved by the State Director of Purchasing. The STATE will be given the immediate benefit of any decrease in the market, or allowable discount.
- **24. ORDERING AND INVOICING:** Orders will be placed by the using agencies directly with the Contractor. All orders will be shipped promptly in accordance with the delivery guarantee. The Contractor will then promptly submit invoices to the ordering agency. The STATE contract number and the agency ordering number will appear on all invoices, freight tickets, and correspondence relating to the contract order. The prices paid by the STATE will be those prices on file with the Division of Purchasing. The STATE has the right to adjust any invoice reflecting incorrect pricing.
- 25. PAYMENT: Payments are normally made within 30 days following the date the order is delivered or the date a correct invoice is received, whichever is later. After 45 days the Contractor may assess overdue account charges up to a maximum rate of one percent per month on the outstanding balance. Payments may be made via a State of Utah (or political subdivision) APurchasing Card. All payments to the Contractor will be remitted by mail unless paid by Purchasing Card.
- **26. MODIFICATION OR WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSALS:** Proposals may be modified or withdrawn prior to the time set for the opening of proposals. After the time set for the opening of proposals, no proposals may be modified or withdrawn.
- 27. PROPOSAL PREPARATION COSTS: The STATE is not liable for any costs incurred by the offeror in proposal preparation.
- 28. INSPECTIONS: Goods furnished under this contract will be subject to inspection and test by the Buyer at times and places

determined by the Buyer. If the Buyer finds goods furnished to be incomplete or not in compliance with proposal specifications, the Buyer may reject the goods and require Contractor to either correct them without charge or deliver them at a reduced price which is equitable under the circumstances. If Contractor is unable or refuses to correct such goods within a time deemed reasonable by the Buyer, the Buyer may cancel the order in whole or in part. Nothing in this paragraph will adversely affect the Buyer's rights including the rights and remedies associated with revocation of acceptance under the Uniform Commercial Code.

- **29. PATENTS, COPYRIGHTS, ETC.:** The Contractor will release, indemnify and hold the Buyer, its officers, agents and employees harmless from liability of any kind or nature, including the Contractor's use of any copyrighted or un-copyrighted composition, secret process, patented or un-patented invention, article or appliance furnished or used in the performance of this contract.
- **30. ASSIGNMENT/SUBCONTRACT:** Contractor will not assign, sell, transfer, subcontract or sublet rights, or delegate responsibilities under this contract, in whole or in part, without the prior written approval of the State Director of Purchasing.
- **31. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES:** Any of the following events will constitute cause for the STATE to declare Contractor in default of the contract: 1. Nonperformance of contractual requirements; 2. A material breach of any term or condition of this contract. The STATE will issue a written notice of default providing a period in which Contractor will have an opportunity to cure. Time allowed for cure will not diminish or eliminate Contractor's liability for liquidated or other damages. If the default remains, after Contractor has been provided the opportunity to cure, the STATE may do one or more of the following: 1. Exercise any remedy provided by law; 2. Terminate this contract and any related contracts or portions thereof; 3. Impose liquidated damages; 4. Suspend Contractor from receiving future proposal solicitations.
- **32. FORCE MAJEURE:** Neither party to this contract will be held responsible for delay or default caused by fire, riot, acts of God and/or war which is beyond that party's reasonable control. The STATE may terminate this contact after determining such delay or default will reasonably prevent successful performance of the contract.
- **33. HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL INFORMATION:** The Contractor will provide one set of the appropriate material safety data sheet(s) and container label(s) upon delivery of a hazardous material to the user agency. All safety data sheets and labels will be in accordance with each participating state's requirements.
- **34. NON-COLLUSION:** By signing the proposal, the offeror certifies that the proposal submitted has been arrived at independently and has been submitted without collusion with, and without any agreement, understanding or planned common course of action with, any other vendor of materials, supplies, equipment or services described in the request for proposal, designed to limit independent proposing or competition.
- **35. PUBLIC INFORMATION:** Contractor agrees that the contract will be a public document, as far as distribution of copies, and Contractor gives the STATE express permission to make copies of the contract and/or of the response to the solicitation in accordance with the State of Utah Government Records Access and Management Act. The permission to make copies as noted will take precedence over any statements of confidentiality, proprietary information, or copyright information.
- **36. CONFLICT OF TERMS:** In the event of any conflict between these standard terms and conditions and any special terms and conditions which follow, the special terms and conditions will govern.
- **37. LOCAL WAREHOUSE AND DISTRIBUTION:** The Contractor will maintain a reasonable amount of stock warehoused in the State of Utah for immediate or emergency shipments. Shipments are to be made in the quantities as required by the various ordering agencies. Orders for less than the minimum specified amount will have transportation charges prepaid by the Contractor and added as a separate item on the invoice. Any portion of an order to be shipped without transportation charges that is back ordered will be shipped without charge.

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